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Torrance Man Pleads Not Guilty to Alleged Prank 911 Calls

One of two men charged with making a number of fake 911 calls over a seven-month period entered a not guilty plea today, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Alexander Bott said Michael Randy Sumolang (dob 3/22/88) of Torrance pleaded not guilty to one felony count of conspiracy to commit the crime of false report of an emergency.

Co-defendant Corey Ennis Jackson (dob 2/26/87) of Gardena, pleaded not guilty to the same charge on March 14. Both men are scheduled to return to court on May 3 to set a date for a preliminary hearing.

According to the overt facts outlined in case YA093884, between July 1, 2015, and Feb. 21, Jackson and Sumolang called 911 on at least nine occasions to report fictitious crimes ranging from a domestic violence murder to the shooting of two people in Gardena.

In a 911 call from Feb. 21, Sumolang claimed to be suicidal with a gun in his mouth and threatened to crash into a California Highway Patrol vehicle.

If convicted as charged, the defendants each face a possible maximum sentence of three years in state prison to be served in county jail.

The case remains under investigation by the Gardena Police Department.

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